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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 247

25 JUNE 1957

1. The following were present:

Mr. D. J. Clinton	State
Col. D. H. Smith	Army
Mr. J. A. Minogue	Army
Mr. Andre E. Gerard	Army
Capt. R. E. Styles	Navy
LCdr. H. W. Holschuh	Navy
Lt. Col. H. K. Avery	Air Force
[REDACTED]	
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	CIA (Chairman)
	CIA (Vice Chairman)
	CIA (Secretary)

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* In attendance for review of Chapter I.

The chairman welcomed Mr. James A. Minogue as the new Army Alternate NIS Committee member and NIS Coordinator designate.

The chairman congratulated Colonel David H. Smith on his recent promotion.

2. Review of Chapter I on Turkey

The Committee reviewed the Chapter I on NIS 27 (Turkey) and approved the draft with certain changes, subject to review of Army's comments to be submitted later. The Chapter I Task Group was requested to review the detailed comments submitted by the member agencies. The Committee decided to control this Chapter I in view of the contributor controls placed on "Comments on Principal Sources" of Sections 12, 13, 14, and on Section 18 in its entirety. Section 19 will be published separately as a controlled TOP SECRET Annex.

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3. NIS Reference Guide

Page proof copies of the NIS Reference Guide were handed to the members for review and comment at the next meeting (refer to Item 5 NCM 245).

The chairman briefed the Committee on the arrangement and contents of the Reference Guide and the general ways it might be used. He noted that it is to be published in standard NIS format and thus utilize duplicate page type already made up for the printing of the revised NIS Standard Instructions.

4. FY 1958 Production Schedule

The members were handed copies of the consolidated FY 1958 NIS Production Schedule dated 25 June 1957 (refer to Item 2 NCM 246). The State member proposed substituting Chapter I on Jordan for the scheduled Chapter I on Greece because of State's lack of capability in the latter area. This change will further require dropping from the FY 1958 schedule three State-produced sections on Near East Areas.

The vice chairman requested the other members to examine the State proposal with their agencies and indicate their views as soon as possible so that the final schedule can be issued before the end of the fiscal year. He asked the State member to see what could be done to substitute sections on other areas for the three sections to be dropped on the Near East.

The Committee approved the NIS Production Schedule for FY 1958 subject to final action on State's proposal. [The members subsequently concurred by telephone.]

5. Reduction in FY 1957 Production Requirements

The Committee approved Air Force and OSI proposals of 24 June 1957 to remove from the current schedule three sections of [REDACTED]

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Chapter VII had been completed on schedule by the contributing agencies, but the SEC properly decided to reschedule Sections 70, 72, and 76 to September 1957. In order that the contributors would not be charged with FY 1957 production defections, the Committee dropped these sections from the current schedule.

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6. Draft of NSCID No. 3

The Committee discussed paragraph 1a (Basic Intelligence) of the 20 June 1957 draft of NSCID No. 3 which the chairman had introduced at the request of the interagency working group made during its meeting of 20 June 1957. The chairman explained the reasons for the changes from the 17 June draft to reflect the intent of the original NSCID No. 3 of 13 January 1948, which had served so well in establishing the NIS Program.

The Committee had no formal comments to make on the draft, although the several members reserved the right to comment directly to their agencies' representatives on the interagency working group which had approved the draft, and to their members on the IAC which is to review the draft on 9 July 1957 in accordance with IAC-D-105/3 of 20 June 1957.

7. Suspense Items

The State member requested that Section 53M on Poland and Section 55 on Laos be rescheduled for 15 July 1957 in order to await field review comments. Section 57 on Rumania is to be processed forthwith since no field comments are expected.

8. Review of NIS Standard Instructions

The members submitted comments on the page proofs of the revised NIS Standard Instructions (refer to Item 4 NCM 246).

The Committee decided to hold a final review of the Standard Instructions one week hence.

9. The next meeting of the NIS Committee will be held at 1000 hours on Tuesday, 2 July 1957.

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